

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
HIYWET MILLION,  
  
Defendant.

Case No. CR21-059RSL

ORDER GRANTING  
UNOPPOSED MOTION TO  
CONTINUE TRIAL AND  
PRETRIAL MOTIONS DUE  
DATE

This matter comes before the Court on defendant's "Unopposed Motion to Continue Trial." (Dkt. # 59). Having considered the facts set forth in the motion, and defendant's knowing and voluntary waiver (Dkt. # 60), the Court finds as follows:

1. The Court adopts the facts set forth in the unopposed motion: in particular, defendant and her counsel require additional time to review the voluminous discovery in this case, as well as additional time to coordinate a global resolution to the charges pending against defendant in four other jurisdictions. The Court accordingly finds that a failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel, and any potential future counsel, the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv).

2. The Court finds that a failure to grant a continuance would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

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1           3.       The Court finds that the additional time requested between the current trial date of  
2 April 17, 2023, and the proposed trial date of June 12, 2023, is a reasonable period of delay.  
3 The Court finds that this additional time is necessary to provide defense counsel reasonable time  
4 to prepare for trial, as defendant has requested more time to prepare for trial, to continue to  
5 investigate the matter, to gather evidence material to the defense, and to consider possible  
6 defenses. The additional time requested between the current trial date and the new trial date is  
7 necessary to provide counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial,  
8 considering all of the facts set forth above.

9           4.       The Court further finds that this continuance would serve the ends of justice, and  
10 that these factors outweigh the best interests of the public and defendant in a speedier trial,  
11 within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

12           5.       Defendant has signed a waiver indicating that she has been advised of her right to  
13 a speedy trial and that, after consulting with counsel, she has knowingly and voluntarily waived  
14 that right and consented to the continuation of her trial to a date up to and including June 26,  
15 2023, Dkt. # 60, which will permit her trial to start on June 12, 2023.

16           IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the trial date shall be continued from April 17, 2023  
17 to June 12, 2023, and pretrial motions are to be filed no later than May 8, 2023;

18           IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period of time from the current trial date of April  
19 17, 2023, up to and including the new trial date, shall be excludable time pursuant to the Speedy  
20 Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, *et seq.* The period of delay attributable to this filing and granting  
21 of this motion is excluded for speedy trial purposes pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(1)(D),  
22 (h)(7)(A), and (h)(7)(B).

23           DATED this 11th day of April, 2023.  
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27           Robert S. Lasnik  
28           United States District Judge